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Lt. Governor Peter Kinder names Edith Dilley of Butler as Senior Service Award Winner

Award recognizes volunteer work by Missouri Seniors

JEFFERSON CITY – Missouri Lt. Governor Peter Kinder today announced 35 winners of the Lieutenant Governor's Senior Service Award, including Edith Dilley of Butler.

Lt. Governor Kinder presented the awards today (May 8) at a luncheon for the winners and their guests outside his office in the Capitol. Dilley was nominated by Irene Holt, coordinator and care manager at the Butler Senior Center.

Dilley is a member of various organizations in Butler and spends many hours volunteering at the Butler Senior Center, where each month she decorates the center for special events, works the front desk, assists with fundraising and promotes programs and activities at the center.

She also is active in The Bates County Career Women, where she mentors women and advocates for women's issues. She volunteers her time to the Grateful Red Hatters of Butler, the Get-Together Club, the Enterprise Club of Ballard, the Bates County Democrats, the First Christian Church, Silver Haired Legislature, the Old High School Thrift Shop and the Mount Pleasant Central Committee.

"Edie is known for uplifting others with her wit, gifts and her kind comments," said Holt in her nomination. "She is an inspiration to any age, but especially to those in the aging community. She is quick to make others feel welcome, lend a helping hand and go to work to get things done.

"She is truly an inspiration and a catalyst for change and growth for us all. But most of all, Edith Dilley is an impressive model demonstrating that anyone, any age, can impact and change the world by doing what they can and will in their own community."

Lt. Governor Kinder presented Dilley with an official declaration and a Senior Service Award lapel pin at a ceremony in the Capitol on May 8.

"Edith Dilley sets an example for all Missourians with her kindness and willingness to serve the Butler community," Kinder said. "Her selfless service is an inspiration to all who know her."

Kinder this year received more than 150 nominations for the Senior Service Award, naming 34 winners representing the state's 34 Senatorial Districts and one at-large winner. Dilley won in District 31.